



Dave Cossan

Open Men's Head Coach #1

Dave Cossan form Western Australia was appointed as the first Open Men's Head Coach in 1988. Dave led the team to the 7<sup>th</sup> Men's World Championship held in Saskatoon, Canada.

The Australian Softball Federation raised approximately \$85,000 to fund the team of 22 players and officials. A special public appeal was launched in the February edition of the *Softball Australia Newsletter* via the Australian Sports Aid Foundation which offered tax deductions on donations.

In first round matches Australia were pitted against Canada, Chinese Taipei, Japan, Zimbabwe, Mexico and Bermuda, all of which had previous World Series experience. With a 6-7 win-loss record Australia finished seventh in a 14-nation tournament.